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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF  
HOPWOOD ET AL.

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FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR TREATING PAIN  
COMPRISING OXICARBAZEPINE, OR DERIVATIVES THEREOF,  
AND COX2 INHIBITORS

Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of fees and examination of this application, kindly amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.